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MEMORANDUM ORDER

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SUBJECT: TEMPORARY BAN ON THE IMPORTATION OF DOMESTIC AND WILD BIRDS AND THEIR PRODUCTS INCLUDING POULTRY MEAT, DAY OLD CHICKS, EGGS AND SEMEN ORIGINATING FROM *Ilinsky and Dolgovo Novochikhinsky, ALTAYSKIY KRAY RUSSIA.*

WHEREAS, based on the official report submitted by Dr. Evgeny Nepoklonov, Deputy Head, Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Surveillance, Ministry of Agriculture, in Moscow, Russia to the Office Internationale Des Epizooties (OIE) on 30 September 2014, that there was an outbreak of High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza (HPAI) virus in *Ilinsky and Dolgovo Novochikhinsky, ALTAYSKIY KRAY, Russia;*

WHEREAS, the outbreak of HPAI virus serotype H5N1 affecting domestic chickens, geese and ducks where mortality occurred after having contact with hunted ducks and geese trophies was confirmed by All Russian Research Institute for Animal Health (National laboratory);

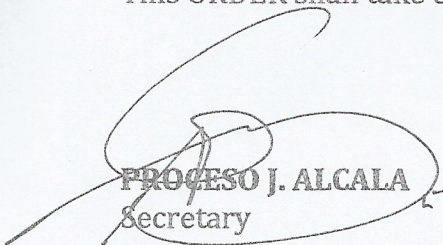
WHEREAS, the OIE Animal Health Information Department: H5 and H7 High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza viruses are among the notifiable OIE Listed terrestrial animal diseases, infections and infestations in force in 2014;

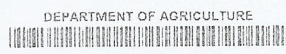
WHEREAS, there is a need to prevent the entry of HPAI virus to protect the health of the public and the local poultry population;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PROCESO J. ALCALA, Secretary, Department of Agriculture, by the powers vested in me by law, do hereby institute the following emergency measures:

1. Banning the importation of domestic and wild birds, including poultry meat, day old chicks, eggs, and semen from *Ilinsky and Dolgovo Novochikhinsky, ALTAYSKIY KRAY Russia;*¹
2. Immediate suspension of the processing, evaluation of the application and issuance of Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) import clearance to the above-stated commodities from *Ilinsky and Dolgovo Novochikhinsky, ALTAYSKIY KRAY Russia;*
3. Stoppage and confiscation of all shipments of the above stated commodities (with the exception on heat treated products) into the country originating from *Ilinsky and Dolgovo Novochikhinsky, ALTAYSKIY KRAY Russia* by all DA Veterinary Quarantine Officers/Inspectors at all major ports.
4. Importation of meat products of poultry is subject to the conditions provided in article 10.4.19, 10.4.20 and 10.4.26 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code, 2014.²

This ORDER shall take effect immediately.


PROCESO J. ALCALA
Secretary

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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¹ Heat treated products are acceptable following chapter 10.4 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2014) provided that in addition to the Veterinary Health Certificate, the Competent Authority will include in the certification the following:

1. Temperature and the duration of heating or pasteurization of products; and
2. There is no commingling of raw materials with any other materials of animal origin.

